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Honorable Commissioner of  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2000, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A low profile hacksaw comprising:

an elongated blade having opposing longitudinal end portions and a cutting edge between said longitudinal end portions;

a hacksaw frame assembly comprising a rigid I-beam frame member with upper and lower end caps and a generally vertical web member extending therebetween, said frame member having a forward end portion, a maximum height portion, and an arcuate portion extending substantially the entire length between